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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:
Kok-Hwee NG, et al.

Application No.: 09/865,196
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Group Art Unit 3653
Examiner: Jeffrey A. Shapiro

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING
INVENTORY OF BLOOD COMPONENT
COLLECTION SOFT GOODS IN A BLOOD
COMPONENT COLLECTION FACILITY

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RESPONSE TO MAY 9, 2003 OFFICE ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the May 9, 2003, Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please replace Claims 58, 80 and 88 as follows:

58. (Amended Once) A system for monitoring and tracking at least a portion of a blood component collection procedure in a blood component collection facility, performed upon a donor, by an operator, the system comprising:

a blood component collection instrument for collecting a blood component from the donor, the donor having a donor identifier and the blood component collection instrument having a blood collection instrument identifier;

a blood component collection kit having a blood component collection kit identifier, the blood component collection kit for collecting the blood component from the donor;